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WILSON'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS

No better idea can be given of the splendid work done by President Wilson, during his administration, than by quoting a list of these acts of constructive legislation, as set forth in detail by the Chicago Journal of recent date, which fairly represents the trend of public opinion as it is slowly but surely veering around to a strong support of President Wilson, and the hold upon the middle west by Mr. Hughes is gradually weakening, as the people more and more realize that he has nothing to offer to take the place of the strong executive power of the present incumbent.

"The biggest fact in the public life of America today is the leadership of Woodrow Wilson. No other president rivaled him in the ability to secure congressional support, and this in spite of the fact that he is the head of a peculiarly individualistic party, and that his leadership has been put to more terrific tests than those faced by all previous presidents of the last fifty years. Tariff revision was deemed so difficult that it was sure to split any party which undertook it. It did split the republican party. But President Wilson carried through the most sweeping tariff revision attempted since the civil war and had his party more firmly united at the end than it was at the beginning.

Currency reform was so knotty a subject that the Republicans dared not even attempt it, and dozens of Democrats in Congress were opposed to the administration plan. President Wilson carried that plan through by sheer intellectual supremacy, meeting all honest objections and proving them ill-founded, and holding up so high a standard of public duty that dishonest opposition hid its face.

The child labor law was opposed by states' rights advocates from the South and interested mill owners from the North, but President Wilson carried it through.

The Adamson law to test the eight-hour day on railroads was the subject of the bitterest quarreling, but President Wilson put the case so cogently that seventy republicans in the house voted with the democrats in support of the bill.

Foreign relations have been perplexing and disturbing to a degree, and seditious and partisan cabals have been formed in congress to embarrass the president or compel him to submit to violations of American rights. They have embarrassed him; but every time the matter has come to a test, President Wilson has had the support of an emphatic majority.

This eminence in leadership is one of the rarest as well as one of the most precious qualities that a statesman can possess. President Taft lacked it; he could hold the allegiance of only a small fraction of his party. Mr. Hughes as governor lacked it altogether; his stay at Albany was one long factional wrangle. President Wilson has it; and that fact alone should insure his tenure of the White House for another four years.

Wilson's leadership is responsible for the most magnificent series of constructive reforms ever put through in this country. Wilson's leadership is all that has kept the land peaceful and prosperous when half the world is in flames. Wilson's leadership will be priceless in the troubled

days of international construction which lie ahead.

The American people can not afford to give up their biggest political asset. They will re-elect Woodrow Wilson."

INTENSIVE FARMING.

So much has been written and said about intensive farming that we have become accustomed to think that these great yields must be supernatural, grown upon unusually rich and highly productive portions of land, far removed from our own section, where special blessings have been showered upon the fortunate possessor of a veritable garden of Eden.

This however is not always the case, and did we but look around us we might find some rare instances in our midst where a farmer, here or there, has given more than ordinary care with the preparation, and tending, of his land, that the results are worth recording.

Such a case has been brought to our attention the past few days, and it is the more noteworthy in view of the frequent complaint that the crops are short.

Not many miles from town there is a little plot of twelve acres, on Mr. David Walston's farm, that will produce better than twelve bales of cotton, and on the same patch nearly seventeen bales have been obtained in former years.

Mr. Walston tells us how he prepares his land, and emphasizes that it has always been well, and carefully, fertilized, and, more than ordinary care given to the plants until they are ready. He gives his proportions of fertilizer used per acre, and we repeat some for what it may be worth to any others who care to imitate Mr. Walston's crop. Soda 200 pounds, Fish scrap 400 pounds, and cotton seed 400 pounds, making a ton to the acre. He gets results, however, and that means everything.

Notice of Land Sale.

By virtue of the power contained in a certain mortgage dated May 4, 1915 executed to F. S. Royster Mercantile Co., Inc., of Tarboro, N. C., by Irene Hussey and her husband, Braxton Hussey, which is recorded in the Register of Deeds' office of Halifax county in Book 262 on page 266, we will, on SATURDAY, the 21st day of OCTOBER, 1916, at 12 o'clock, noon, in front of the Postoffice in the town of Scotland Neck, N. C. sell at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, the following tract of land, to wit: That tract in Palmyra township, Halifax county, beginning at the run of Jarvis' swamp and running with F. P. Shields' line South 69 1/2 W. 38.74 chains to a sweetgum; thence with the line of J. P. Ware as follows: South 49 1/2 E. 16.30 chains to a sweetgum; thence North 57 1/4 E. 9.40 chains to a large sweetgum; thence South 42 3/4 E. 11 chains to a stake; thence South 66 1/4 E. 8.45 chains to a small pine on the east side of a farm road; thence South 48 1/2 E. 3.10 chains to a pine on the south side of said farm road J. P. Ware's corner with F. P. Shields' line; thence with F. P. Shields' line North 69 1/4 E. 13 chains to a small cypress of the run of Jarvis' swamp; thence with said swamp as it meanders to the beginning and containing eighty and eighty-seven one-hundredths acres. This being the same land conveyed to said Irene Hussey by J. P. Ware by deed recorded in Register of Deeds' office of Halifax county in Book 210 on page 273, to which reference is made.

This Sept. 21, 1916.
F. S. ROYSTER MERC. CO., Inc.
9-22 29; 10-6 13 Mortgagee.

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Morning Service—11:00.
Evening Service—7:45.
Wednesday evening Prayer Meeting—7:45.
Baptist Church
Rev. R. A. McFarland, Pastor
Sunday School—9:45.
Morning Service—11:00.
Evening Service—7:45.
Wednesday evening Prayer Meeting—7:45.
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Sunday School—9:45.
Morning Prayer and sermon—11:00.
Evening prayer and sermon—8:30.

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R. GEORGE SHACKELL
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 31st day of October 1916.
LESTER CHERRY, Notary Public.
My commission expires Dec. 8, 1917.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

North Carolina, Halifax County.
In the Superior Court.
Before the Clerk.

T. D. Allsbrook, B. I. Allsbrook, J. T. House, T. L. House, et als.

vs.
Ella Briley and her husband, Jonah Briley, O. P. House and R. H. Langston and wife, Mollie Langston, et als., and all other heirs-at-law of John White, deceased.

This petition by the plaintiffs against the defendants and all unknown heirs at law of John White, deceased. And this is to give notice to all heirs-at-law of John White, deceased, other than those made parties hereto by actual service of process whatever may be their names and wherever may be their residence of the pendency of this action, and to notify them to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the County of Halifax at his office in the town of Halifax, N. C., on the 30th day of October, 1916, and answer or demur to the complaint or petition of the plaintiffs or the relief therein demanded will be granted.

This the 27th day of Sept., 1916.
S. M. GARY,
Clerk Superior Court.

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vs.
Ella Briley and husband, Jonah Briley, Horace M. Simmons, Eva S. Strong and husband, T. C. Strong, Maud S. Murchison and husband, D. M. Murchison, Nina W. Delaney and husband, J. H. Delaney, Billy White, Randall White, Billie Brewer, John Brewer, Allen Brewer, Ed Brewer, Ethel Stanley and husband,

Stanley, J. L. Simmons, Leroy White, Cornelia White, W. H. Allsbrook and wife, Naomi R. Allsbrook, H. F. Peacock, Van White and William White.

Each of the defendants above-named, will take notice that an action entitled above, having for its express purpose a sale for division of lands of the late John White, among his heirs-at-law, has been commenced in the Superior Court of Halifax County, before the Clerk thereof; and the said defendants, and each of them will further take notice that they are required to be and appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court for the County of Halifax at Halifax, N. C., in the Court House, on the 30th day of October, 1916, and answer or demur to the complaint or petition in said action, or the plaintiffs will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This the 27th day of Sept., 1916.
S. M. GARY,
Clerk Superior Court.

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For full particulars see the Virginia State Fair Guide.

Richmond, Va., Sept. 22, 1916.

Executor's Notice.

Having this day qualified as executor of the last will and testament of Mrs. Minnie E. Lawrence, deceased, of Scotland Neck, N. C., I hereby give notice to all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to present them to me at my office in the town of Scotland Neck, N. C., on or before the 30th day of October, 1916.

Witness my hand and the seal of said office this 22nd day of September, 1916.

B. F. W. W. W.

Executor of the last will and testament of Mrs. Minnie E. Lawrence, deceased.

Scotland Neck, N. C., Sept. 22, 1916.

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